



1 -- 46. A method for treating atrial fibrillation in a patient comprising:
2 opening the heart of the patient; and
3 ablating at least one linear lesion in the heart tissue using an irrigation probe as
4 recited in claim 26. --

1 -- 47. A method for treating atrial fibrillation in a patient comprising:
2 opening the heart of the patient; and
3 ablating at least one linear lesion in the heart tissue using an irrigation probe as
4 recited in claim 44. --

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 47, as amend, are pending. Claims 1, 4, 6, 24 to 26, 30, 33 and 36 have been amended, and new claims 42 to 47 have been added. The amendments find full support in the original specification, drawings and claims. No new matter is presented. Examination of the claims as amended and timely indication of allowance are respectfully requested.

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